

Claims

What is claimed is:

1. A hair styling system for parting hair according to a predetermined pattern, the hair styling system comprising:
 - a. a parting device with a tip portion for tracing through the hair; and
 - b. a stencil with a styling edge that is contoured with the predetermined pattern,
wherein placing the stencil on an area of the hair, tracing the tip portion of the parting device along the styling edge of the stencil and separating the hair along the trace, parts the hair according to the predetermined pattern.
2. The system of claim 1, wherein the styling edge of the stencil is contoured with a plurality of geometric protrusions.
3. The system of claim 2, wherein the plurality of geometric protrusion are selected from a group consisting of rounded scallops, squared teeth and pointed teeth.
4. The system of claim 1, wherein the stencil is a flattened elongated stencil formed from a resilient material selected from the group consisting of plastic, polyurethane and rubber.
5. The system of claim 4, wherein the flattened elongated stencil has an average length between 5 and 30 cm, an average width between of 2 to 10 cm and an average thickness between 0.1 and 1cm.
6. The system of claim 1, wherein the parting device comprises two handles that are attached by one end of each handle to the tip portion.
7. The system of claim 6, wherein two unattached ends of the handles are capable of being aligned in a closed position and separated in an open position.

- 1 8. The system of claim 7, wherein at least one of the two handles is attached to the
2 tip portion through a hinge structure comprising a hinge element selected from the
3 group consisting of a pin, a screw and a leaf spring.

- 1 9. The system of claim 6, wherein the two handles and the tip portion are monolithic
2 and formed from a resilient material.

- 1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the resilient material is selected from the group
2 consists of plastic, polyurethane and rubber.

- 1 12. The system of claim 7, wherein the handles are flared at the unattached ends for
2 grasping and positioning the handles in the open and the closed positions.

- 1 13. The system of claim 6, wherein unattached ends of the handles are reticulated.

- 1 14. A system for parting hair comprising:
 - 2 a) a tracing and separating means for tracing a predetermined pattern through the
3 hair and parting the hair according to the predetermined pattern; and
 - 4 b) a stencil with a styling edge that outlines the predetermined pattern used to
5 guide the tracing and separating means through the hair according to the
6 predetermined pattern.

- 1 15. The system of claim 14, wherein the styling edge of the stencil is an outer styling
2 edge of the stencil.

- 1 16. The system of claim 15, wherein the stencil is a flattened elongated stencil is
2 formed from a resilient material that is capable of conforming to the curvature of
3 a human head.

- 1 17. The system of claim 14, wherein the styling edge comprised a plurality of
2 repeating geometric protrusions.

- 1 18. The system of claim 17, wherein the plurality repeating geometric protrusions is
- 2 selected from a group consisting of round scallops, squared teeth and pointed
- 3 teeth.
- 1 19. The system of the claim 14, wherein the tracing and parting mean comprises two
- 2 handles that are hingably attached to a tip section.
- 1 20. The system of claim 19, wherein grasping ends of each of the handles are flared
- 2 and reticulated.
- 1 21. A method for styling an area of hair comprising the step of:
 - 2 a. providing a stencil with a predetermined pattern;
 - 3 b. placing the stencil over area the area of the hair;
 - 4 c. tracing the predetermined pattern through the hair with a parting device;
 - 5 and
 - 6 d. separating the hair along the trace.
- 1 22. The method of claim 21, wherein predetermined pattern is provided with an outer
- 2 edge of the stencil.
- 1 23. The method of claim 21, wherein the parting device comprises two hingably
- 2 attached handles that are capable of opening and closing in a jaw-like fashion to
- 3 facilitate the step of separating of the hair.